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**Committee Bill No. 5126**

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Referred to Committee on Energy and Technology

Introduced by:  
(ET)

***AN ACT CONCERNING CELLULAR MOBIL TELEPHONE NUMBER DIRECTORIES.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 16-247s of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2005*):

3 (a) Each certified telecommunications provider, as defined in section  
4 16-1, that provides local exchange service to customers in the state  
5 shall provide without charge to a telephone company serving more  
6 than one hundred thousand customers for directory assistance  
7 purposes all listings for its Connecticut customers other than those  
8 listings that are nonpublished. Such telephone company, or its agent or  
9 affiliate as applicable, shall, in accordance with the terms and  
10 conditions set forth in the federal Telecommunications Act of 1996, as  
11 from time to time amended, and any applicable order or regulation  
12 adopted by the Federal Communications Commission thereunder,  
13 including the availability and timing of updates and applicable rates,  
14 compile all such listings and all listings for its own Connecticut  
15 customers other than those that are nonpublished in a directory  
16 assistance database and make all such listings contained in such

17 database available in electronic format to directory assistance  
 18 providers. If a customer requests a customer listing from a certified  
 19 telecommunications provider that does not provide directory  
 20 assistance, such provider shall connect the customer at no charge with  
 21 an entity that provides directory assistance to the customer. Each such  
 22 certified telecommunications provider shall indemnify a telephone  
 23 company for any damages caused by that certified telecommunications  
 24 provider's negligence in misidentifying a nonpublished customer.

25 (b) No cellular mobile telephone service provider shall list, or cause  
 26 to be listed, the telephone number of a customer in a directory unless  
 27 the customer expressly permits such use. Such service provider shall,  
 28 on receiving notice by the customer of withdrawal of permission for  
 29 such listing, immediately remove the number from an electronic form  
 30 of such directory and remove the number from the next printed  
 31 edition of such directory.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2005	16-247s

**Statement of Purpose:**

To prohibit cellular mobile telephone providers from listing customer telephone numbers in a directory unless the customer expressly permits such use.

*[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]*

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